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Dr. Robert W. van de Velde  
Faculty Secretary  
Rockefeller Public Service Awards  
Princeton University  
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. van de Velde:

Last year the Central Intelligence Agency nominated Lyman Kirkpatrick and Richard Helms as candidates to receive the Rockefeller Public Service Award. You advised me after the selection that while these individuals did not receive an award, you planned to reintroduce their names this year. Lyman Kirkpatrick recently received the President's Award for Distinguished Civilian Service and consequently I would like to withdraw his name from consideration this year and devote our support exclusively to Richard Helms.

If there is any additional evidence or endorsements that we could produce, we would be happy to do so to support Mr. Helms's candidacy. He has continued to perform in the last year in an outstanding manner and is great credit to his country.

Faithfully yours,

(S. Carter) Marshall S. Carter

Marshall S. Carter  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy Director

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**MEMORANDUM FOR: General Carter**

With regard to the annual Rockefeller Public Service Awards (see attached), Mr. van de Velde habitually writes to the Director of Personnel as well as the Director and possibly others. When Mr. Dulles was Director, he nominated Dick Helms for this award. Last year I understand that you and Mr. McCone nominated Mr. Kirkpatrick. In neither of these cases were the facilities of the Office of Personnel utilized, and it has no record of the supporting evidence accompanying the nominations.

In light of Mr. van de Velde's note about Mr. Helms and Mr. Kirkpatrick, there would seem to be little point in recommending a third individual.

The Deputy Director for Support and the Director of Personnel would appreciate guidance as to whether you wish us to inject ourselves into this matter at this point to supplement whatever information has already been supplied.

L. K. White

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WOODROW WILSON HALL  
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

January 8, 1964

Mr. Emmett D. Echols  
Director of Personnel  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Echols:

Enclosed is a copy of the 1964 announcement for the Rockefeller Public Service Awards. Additional copies are available on request.

Once again Princeton University appeals to you, as a person concerned with strengthening our Federal public service, to send us one or more nominations for the 1964 Awards. It is only by maintaining the annual flow of many nominations of very high caliber men and women that this program can effectively achieve its purposes.

The excerpts below from two recent editorials of The Washington Post are here reproduced not to sound our own trumpet, but rather to emphasize both the underlying purpose of the Awards program and the caliber of persons we seek to honor through it. To us perhaps one of the most telling sentences in these excerpts is, "the names of these men are seldom in the headlines," for one of our underlying purposes is to bring to the attention of the American people the degree of excellence and the amount of effort dedicated to the service of all of us by men and women about whom we seldom if ever hear.

I hope that we may again count on your thoughtful cooperation and help in carrying on this work which we believe to be important.

Please note that the deadline for receipt of nominations in Princeton is 30 April. This is one month earlier than they have been called for in the past.

(H/w note)

Messrs. Helms and Kirkpatrick will both be reconsidered this year by direction of the Committee on Selection. Do you have additional data or comments on either or both to add to my folders on them?

Yours sincerely,

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R. W. van de Velde  
Faculty Secretary

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## SALUTE TO THE CAREERISTS

Bliss Carman's line that "Success is in the silences" might well be applied to the five winners of the 1963 Rockefeller Public Service Awards. The names of these men are seldom in the headlines. Although well known to their associates and in the expert circles in which they move, they carry the burdens of government without fanfare or histrionics. Yet they are the real professionals who spell the difference between bureaucratic routine and dedicated public service.

Dr. Allen V. Astin, director of the National Bureau of Standards, has given 31 well-rounded years to the development of science and technology and to the wise guidance of hundreds of colleagues working in the same fields. Carl M. Marcy, chief of staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has won recognition as an able adviser and an expert in international affairs. Henry Loomis, director of the Voice of America, brought a broad experience in government to one of its most difficult tasks. Eugene W. Weber, deputy director of civil works policy for the Corps of Engineers, has rendered eminent service in the water resources program. Gabriel O. Wessenauer has worked his way up through numerous difficult assignments to the position of manager of power for the TVA.

In addition to the Rockefeller award, these men have earned the thanks of their country. They are representative of a large body of talented and faithful officials who keep the wheels of government turning smoothly. Their achievements are certain to inspire many other careerists who have decided to make government their life's work.

Washington Post  
3 November 1963

## FIVE WHO SERVED

The presentation of the Rockefeller Public Service Awards has come to be an important annual event for all who are concerned with the quality of public life. There is no higher private honor for distinguished public service, and the \$5000 cash award is a tangible expression of thanks made possible by John D. Rockefeller 3rd. Every year since the program, administered by Princeton, began in 1952, the high caliber of the winners has augmented the prestige of the award.

This year was no exception....

Washington Post  
7 December 1963